Chapter 12 - Correlation

Question 1: From the following data, compute the Coefficient of Correlation between X and Y series:

| | X-series | Y-series |
|---------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Number of items | 6 | 6 |
| Arithmetic Mean | 350 | 138 |
| Squares of Deviations from Mean | 19 | 94 |

Summation of the product of deviations of X and Y series from their respective arithmetic mean = 41.

Solution:

Given,

N = 6,
$$\bar{X}$$
 = 350, \bar{Y} = 138, = 19, = 94, xy = 41

$$\mathbf{r} = \frac{\sum xy}{\sqrt{\sum x^2 \times \sum y^2}}$$

Substituting the values, we get

r =
$$\frac{41}{\sqrt{19 \times 94}} = \frac{41}{\sqrt{1,786}} = \frac{41}{42.26} = 0.97$$

Coefficient of Correlation (r) = +0.97

Question 2: What is Correlation?

Solution: According to Boddington, "Wherever some definite connection exists between the 2 or more groups, classes or series or data there is said to be correlation".

